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Ms. Hesse,

The proposed settlement is not in the public interest. The settlement leaves the Microsoft monopoly intact. So long as it is intact the company and its leadership will do all in its power to stop legitimate competition. This is not our free enterprise system.

Consumers need competition and choice so they, not Microsoft, decide what products are on their computers. Microsoft must not be permitted to decide what programs will run on MY computer. It must not decide the direction of the entire marketplace. Let the "invisible hand" of the market work.

The remedies proposed by the several States are certainly necessary and in the public interest, but they are not sufficient without removing the proven illegal monopoly power from the hands of the malefactors.

I strongly urge that public proceedings under the Tunney Act be held so that the entire public may be heard, not just a narrow group of interests.

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